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White Swiss Ribbed Wool Vests and Pints-worth \$1-85c, each, White and Natural Swiss and Richelieu Ribbed Wool Vests-\$1. Pants made on yoke bands—same grade—same

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Shirts-sizes 16 to 34-40c, for size

Drawers-sizes 24 to 32-65c, for size American Hosiery Co.'s Pantalets-

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The following prices and coupon offer will be withdrawn. They are simply our Thanksetting souventrs—a saving of each for you that embodies our expression of gratitude for a season of the most ilberal patronage we have ever known.

\$3.60-\$1.00 AFTER TOMORROW. For Ladies' Strictly Hand-sewed Finest Kid Turn-sole Boots-razor tee-laced or button.

Extension-sole Walking Boots— of kid or French enamel— razor or square toe— laced or button.

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With Shoe purchases of \$2.00 or over the holder of this common is entitled to one pair of Ludies' Best 60c, Storm Rubbers for 25c, -or one pair Men. 67c. Dress Rubbers for 50c, -if presented before Thanksgiving Day.

95C.-\$1.25 AFTER TOMORROW. For Ladies' White Kid One-strap Sandals on pretty pointed toe shape

\$\$3.60\_\$4.00 AFTER TOMORROW Men's Finest French Calf Shoes-

Also Finest Patent Leather Full Dress Gaiters with satin Merveilleux cloth tops.

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Good Ingrain Carpets, 35c. Good Tapestry Brussels, 48c. Good Velvet Carpets, 75c. Jap. Rugs, 9x12, f. : \$8.40, worth \$15. Antique Chamber Suite, \$11. Solid Oak Hall Rack, French bevel mirror and umbrella stand, \$5. 5-plece Over-stuffed Parlor Suite, \$35.

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# Neck Wear Half Price.

That's the way we've cut prices for this week. Got too many on hand. Must sacrifice profit and even cost in order to close out a big lot of them. All the "swellest" effects in handsomest furs. Every garment made by us—and sold with our persoral guarantee. Half prices only for this week—and we expect to be "busy as bees."

Saks Fur Co.,

They Are Coming to the Front Since the Comment on Secretary Morton's Remarks on the Question. Recent Elections.

Part in the Presidential Con-

test Next Year.

the next national ball.

The Position Two Month's Ago.

A Change of Conditions.

But the bosses proposed and the people

disposed. The machine rendering of a fa-

mous wise saw, Vox Bossi, Vox Del, was

knocked sky-high at the polls. Maryland

and Kentucky both went republican, and

this result, coupled with the result recorded

in West Virginia, North Carolina and Ten-

nessee last year, is the ground for the claim that the solid south has at last permanently been broken, and that the republicans will find there next year a very fine soil for the planting of a crop. Hence, the new spirit in the ranks of the southern republicans and their purpose to play much

publicans, and their purpose to play much more than the part of an observer in the fight for the choice of a presidential candi-

The South's Choice in Doubt.

The south's choice as among the men

prominent in the race is at present a matter of much doubt. Gen. Harrison and Gov. McKinley are probably the better known down there, but Mr. Reed and Mr.

The Virginia Leadership.

The manifestation of this new life in

southern republicans will be transferred for

a day on Wednesday from this town to Pe-

tersburg, Va. The republicans of the old

ommonwealth will meet there to choose a

successor to the late Gen. Mahone as chair-

man of the state committee and as the

state's member of the national committee. The feeling that the state next year, by

The feeling that the state next year, by good management, can be swung into the republican column has aroused much interest in the proceedings. Ex-Congressman-elect Lamb of Norfolk and Congressman-elect Walker of the southeastern part of the state are mentioned, the former for the state chairmanship, and the latter for the national committee. Ex-Congressman Waddill of Richmond is also in the field.

Political Notes.

The silver democrats of Ohio propose go

ing into the presidential campaign next

year, Judge E. J. Blandin of Cleveland,

who stands close to Allen W. Thurman of

Columbus, says that plans are being formed

for the nomination of a silver candidate for

the presidency. A conference of the silver

men will be held in January, either at Chi-

cago or in Washington, to arrange for a con-

vention to be held in April next. It is pro-

posed to nominate ex-Congressman Joseph

C. Sibley of Pennsylvania for President and

United States Senator F. E. Warren of Wyoming says that in the northwestern states the free coinage movement is as strongly intrenched as ever, and that the people out there are crying for a repeal of

Senator Chandler, in his paper, the Con-

Remarkable Speed on Linotypes.

Sunday in Chicago between George W

Taylor of the Rocky Mountain News, Den-

ver. The stake was a purse of \$500. Green

Bartholomy Saint-Hilaire Dead.

The death of M. Bartholemy Saint-Hilaire

time of his death, was probably the only

sion was on March 31, 1814, when the al-

Bi-Centennial of Christ Church.

A contest for the championship on the

some western man for Vice President.

the silver bill.

That Section May Play an Important His Illustration Deemed Unfortunate-Some Don't Consider Mr. Cleveland Essential to the Country.

Secretary Morton on his way west has The southern republicans are coming to the front. They are tired of the conditions fallen into the hands of the interviewer and and the treatment of the poor relation, and submitted some remarks on the third-term are demanding a place at the first table. The question which democrats who oppose that proposition do not like. They complain both This spirit is finding expression in Washof his apparent approval of the scheme and ngton now. Not all of the canvassing in of the illustration he employs to convey his progress has relation to the organization of

the flew House. That topic, of course, is Mr. Morton expressly stated that he was kept well to the front, but behind it-and voicing no sentiments of the President's entertaining nor any of his own formed from very close behind it-is the larger problem to be solved next year. The active lieutenants anything that had ever passed between him of the candidates for the House places and his chief. So far as he knew, he said, soliciting support for their favorites are Mr. Cleveland had never opened his mouth followed by men interested in the presidento anybody on the subject. But, as the antitial race and anxious for information about third termers insist, the fact that the thirdthe south's leanings on that score. The term project is shown thus to have support south's assertion has become known, and the in the President's own official household makes it a matter of very short time when east, west and northwest are respectfully requesting the pleasure of her company to the question will come up in the White House, and when the President is certain to have it presented to him by his advisers in a way to tempt him. It may be true, they agree, that Mr. Morton speaks now without advisement with the President or any authority from him. But how much longer will that This change is no less sudden than marked. Less than two months ago The Star quoted one of the foremost of southern republicans to the effect that the south in the

be true?
Mr. Morton's illustration is characternext national convention ought to take and next national convention ought to take and be contented with a back seat. She ought not, he declared, undertake to exercise, if she found she held, the balance of power there. She would have no votes to give the candidate in the electoral college, and, hence, she should not, if she found she could, name the candidate. That should be left to those sections upon whose assured republican strength his election must devolve. But at that time there was no serious thought of republican success either in Maryland or Kentucky this year. The calculation was that both of those states would record the usual democratic majority, and Mr. Morton's illustration is characterized as inapt in this instance. He likens the country's case to that of a bank. If a bank, he declares, has a man at the head of its affairs who has served it well and is universally trusted, it does not consider that it is bound to give him up because he has held the office of President two terms. The part of wisdom he says record the usual democratic majority, and that this would indicate for next year the old divisions, insuring the south to the democracy and staking off the battle ground again on the old doubtful territory.

consider that it is bound to give him up because he has held the office of President two terms. The part of wisdom, he says, calls for his re-election. He is better prepared to conduct the bank's business than ever before. Shall the country part with Mr. Cleveland simply because he has held the office of President two terms? Is he not trusted by the people? Is he not better prepared for presidential duties and responsibilities than ever before?

The reply made is that it is often the case in private business that some one man is fitted above all those around him and interested with him for a particular post, and holds it to the general advantage, for an indefinite length of time. But such a situation, it is insisted, cannot arise in the affairs of this country until the country is practically played out. That sort of thing applied to government is the one-man power—the confession that some particular person is essential to public safety and prosperity.

Will Mr. Cleveland be essential to the

power—the confession that some particular person is essential to public safety and prosperity.

Will Mr. Cleveland be essential to the ceuntry's cafety and prosperity next year? The reference to the affairs of a bank is thought to show that Mr. Morton had in mind the financial question, and that in his opinion the maintenance of the public credit may depend on the Cleveland policy continued by Mr. Cleveland himself. This strikes anti-third-term democrats as being preposterous. They regard Mr. Cleveland as being on financial lines a sort of republican, developed out of a study of Mr. Sherman's views and policy. And so they put the question: What will be the use of Mr. Cleveland at all? If the financial policy of the republicans is to prevail, why not elect a republican to administer it? What is the matter with Harrison? with Reed? with McKinley? with Allison? with Gov. Morton? They are all sound money men, with a sound money party behind them. Is Mr. Cleveland to be preferred to them, with money as the issue? Not much, reply the anti-third termers.

#### A Warning to Washington To the Editor of The Evening Star:

known down there, but Mr. Reed and Mr. Allison have points that must, when fully canvassed, give them strength. Mr. Reed, in particular, is thought to have ways likely to prove very "taking" with the southern brethren. They pin their faith to the shining combination of sand and sense, and then, besides, as Speaker of the House he will be in position to give renewed evidences daily of his breadth of view and firmness of purpose. I admire your editorials in regard to the Cleveland horror, but see in the near future the same terrible lesson repeated in our own city, if the proper safeguards are not introduced. These safeguards are to be found here, and are well known to the managers of our roads, having been proposed to Mr. Henry Hurt of the cable road posed to Mr. Henry Hurt of the cable road and to the honorable Commissioners at the same time two years ago. This proposition was to equip a motor with a fender that gave positive assurance that the limb or arm of no man, woman or child could ever get under the wheels of a car, and that no motor, with trailer, could ever run wild down an incline by the brakes failing to work

down an incline by the brakes failing to work.

The present fenders utterly fail in the most essential point, namely, to give absolute security against death on the rails. This clearly demonstrates their failure to perform the office for which they were put on the cars, and calls for that which will give absolute security. Any device which give absolute security. Any device which fails to perform the office for which it is intended is unworthy of public approbation,

hence the general dislike of the public to the present fenders.

Suppose a motor and trailer run wild on the Tenleytown road, with deep inclines, what terrible destruction of life might follow, and all our roads run a like risk. No well equipped road run by electricity can depend on chain brakes, as they generally fail when most needed. As to the cable roads, they are safe, as they have two brakes in case the cable broke.

It is a fact that risk and grow rich is the order of the day, and when a fatal accident happens, we cry aloud for safety, only to fall in a few days into the same postponement of vigorous action, which would in-

ment of vigorous action, which would in-sure safety and save heavy losses to the

roads.

Recently out west, a trolley motor and trailer ran wild down an incline, jumped the track, fell ten feet, turned bottom upward and killed twenty persons, they being caught between the floor and roof of the car as it crushed them to death.

Will The Star aid in this worthy endeavor to save life and merit still more the gratitude of those whose lives are exposed to danger by street car travel?

P. F. MILLIGAN. Senator Chandler, in his paper, the Concord (N. H.) Monitor, predicts that the republican national convention will declare against a single gold standard, and nominate Thomas B. Reed, who will be elected. The Providence, R. I., board of trade has prepared a memorial to Congress asking that time between national conventions and presidential elections be limited to three months.

### Germania Maennerchor Entertain-The Germania Maennerchor indulged in

Mergenthaler linotype machine took place theatricals and dancing last evening at Masonic Temple, and those who were present Green of the Boston Standard and Eugene were amply repaid for braving the disagreeable weather outdoors. These affairs of the Maennerchor are always enjoyable, and set 70,700 in seven hours, corrected solid the one last evening was no exception to the nonparell, to Taylor's 64,027, smashing all nonparell, to Taylor's 64,927, smashing all previous records. Mr. Green holds himself ready to defend against all comers the title which the victory gives him. At the close of the contest Mr. Green received a challenge from Riley of Boston. Mr. Taylor was accompanied by R. B. Mantle and Lee Tyler of Denver, while is. J. Naylor of Boston managed the affair in behalf of the victor. Much money changed hands, and great interest was manifested in the result. rule. A one-act comedietta, "A Leisure Hour at Breakfast," was presented by the following cast: William Hanneman, Henry Arenz, Heding Kober, Miss Lena Thiele and Anton Nau, and was greatly enjoyed by the Anton Nau, and was greatly enjoyed by the audience. Following this came a solo, by Mrs. Bosenberg-Weber, which was, in turn, followed by "Blue Blood," a well-rendered operetta, by Prof. Emile Christiani. The participants in this were C. Richter, Miss Sophie Escher, Charles G. Rogler, F. L. Aue, J. Nau, Miss J. B. Buehler, Miss E. Eischlaeger, Miss M. Ruppertus, Miss R. Voehl, Mr. Pohlman, Mr. David, Mr. Ehert, A. David and Miss P. Blanford. The dancing of the last mentioned was one of the feaof the last mentioned was one of the fea-tures of the performance. After the con-clusion of the program the floor was cleared for dancing and the festivities were kept up in true German fashion until an early hour. is announced. The deceased, who was a little more than ninety years of age at the man living who retained a clear personal recollection of Napoleon I. The first occa-

## Congress of Colored Women.

lied armies entered Paris. The sufferings of that day were the more strongly im-pressed upon his mind because they were associated with the physical pain of an at-tack of ophthalmia, a malady that troubled him all his life. He had a better view of Mrs. Julia Mason Layton appeared before the Baptist Ministers' Union at its regular meeting yesterday and urged the colored clergymen of this city to interest themselves Napoleon in 1815 at a review in the Cham; and their congregations in the congress of de Mars. The last allimpse that he caught of Napoleon I occurred a few weeks later as he walked on the terrace of the Tuilleries. M. Saint-Hilaire was a writer of considerable note, and fornished many articles against the policy of home rule for the English papers. lanta, Ga., in connection with the Atlanta exposition. The management and control of the congress has been left to the Colored Women's League of this city, and the meetings will be held under its auspices. It is the desire of the Women's League to have the women head of the closed race for the the womanhood of the colored race not only of this city, but of the entire country, well represented. All phases of negro life in America thus far exhibited at the exposition having proved a success, the women are endeavoring to have an extraordinary display of their acquirements in science, art and literature. Religion and patriotism commingled in Sunday's ceremonies incident to the bi-centennial celebration of Christ Church, Philadelphia. Rev. Dr. Cortlandt Whitehead, bishop of Pittsburg, was the preacher in the morning. In the afternoon a patriotic

in the morning. In the atternoon a patriotic service was held by the Society of Colonial Wars, assisted by the representatives of the Society of the Cincinnati, Sons of the Revolution, Colonial Dames, Daughters of the Revolution, Society of the War of 1812 and like organizations. A number of clergy occupied the chancel, including Bishop Perry of Iowa and Bishop Leonard of Nevada. The Washington new and the new used ofter The Washington pew and the pew used after the time of William Penn by the Penn famBarber and Ross, Cor. G and 11th Sts.

# Have you rooms which require additional heat?

There is hardly a house that hasn't one or two rooms which even in only moderately cold weather are continually chilly. An oil or a gas heater will keep them as warm as you would wish. You won't go wrong if you buy a "Puritan" heater, for they are best-give out more heat to the amount of oil or gas consumed than any other heater.

"Puritan" Oil Heaters, \$4.

Consumes but 5c. worth of oil in ten hours-think of it! and will keep a medium size room warm and comfortable. You can buy larger size "Puritan" Oil Heaters, large enough to heat several rooms.

"Puritan" \$3.25

Some Gas Heaters will not distribute the heat evenly about the room. The "Puritan" will. The \$3.25 Gas Heater will heat a medium sized room perfectly. They consume less gas than any other Gas Heater on the mar-

"Home Comfort" Gas Heaters, \$2.25 each.
Small Round Gas Heaters, \$1.25 and \$2.

## Gas Radiators. \$4.50 up.

"Fire King" is acknowledged the best, and lowestprice one costs \$7.50. This Radiator has 12 jewels and 4 extra large ornamented tubes. The largest and best size costs \$12. We have a splendid Radiator at \$4.50. It has 4 tubes, nickel-plated base and top, and is full

# Valentine's Felt Weather Strip, 2c. Foot.

Valentine's Felt Weather Stripping is the best because it lasts longest. Felt Strip is much better than rubber, anyhow, because rubber chips off. You can save a big part of the coal bill by having your doors and windows felt stripped. You can easily do it yourself, or we will do it for you.

# Re-enamel Your Bath Tubs.

Here is a pint can of enamel paint for 6oc., which will make your bath tub look like new. Not affected by hot water. Small jars, 25c.

16-inch Japanned Coal Hods, 20c. each.

Furnace Scoops, 50c.

Cov. Ash Sifters, 6oc.

Galvanized Iron Ash Cans, \$2.40.

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### Somebody 'II have to lose big money

before we can hope to make another such Pants offering as this-\$5 values for \$3.50. Somebody does lose on this lot-

the cloth man. They're made of imported and the very finest domestic Worsteds, and we bought his entire reserve stock of

the fabrics. That's how the price

for what nobody could think of selling for less than \$5. The same grade of goods to order would cost you

Our own tailors cut and made these-and that's sufficient guarantee that they're made right-and 'Il fit

Several patterns-neat stripesgenteel shades-and only until closing time THURSDAY-(that's day after tomorrow)-to get a pair.

You'll surely want something or other — Gleves—Neckwear—Linenwear— for Thurksgiving Day. Our \$1 Dogskins are just like the \$1.50 grade elsewhere. Our 50c. Neckwear is better than 75c. 'Il buy anywhere else. In fact, all our Haberdashery is of the highest type—with a saving in every price.

Saks and Company, Pa, ave. and 7th st.--"Saks' corner."

## A CRUEL EAST INDIAN WOMAN.

She Was Pretty and Attractive, but in the Exercise of Her Power a Demon. From Chambers' Journal.

In person the Begum Somru was small, with a graceful, softly rounded figure, a complexion of dazzling fairness, large black eyes full of animation, delicately chiseled features and a hand and arm of such perfect symmetry that native poets sang of them as matchless wonders of beauty. Her dress was always in exquisite taste and of the costliest material. She spoke Persian and Hindustani fluently. Her manners were charming, and her conversation spirited, sensible and engaging. But, as a set-off to this long array of personal attractions, her character was detestable. She was cruel, vindictive and treacherous. If one of her servants displeased or disobeyed her, she would order his nose and ears to be cut off in her presence, and watch the mutilation with gusto, while she placidly smoked her hookah.

When one of her dancing girls offended her by attracting the attention of a favorite costliest material. She spoke Persian and

her by attracting the attention of a favorite officer, she, in a fit of furious jealousy, ordered the unfortunate girl to be buried alive. dered the unfortunate girl to be buried alive. There was a small vault under the pavement of the saloon in which the Nautch dances were held, and in that vault the Begum saw her victim bricked up. When the horrible work was done, she commanded the rest of the Nautch girls to come out and dance over the grave in which their still living sister was entombed. According to one accrunt—denied by some of those who have investigated the story—the Eegum, that she might extract the last drops of fiendish pleasure out of the cup of revenge, had her couch placed exactly over the vauit.

#### Last of the Trilby Craze. From the Indianapolis News. "The Trilby craze," remarked the drug-

gists' sundries drummer, "has evidently reached its last station before its final plunge into the limbo of forgotten facs. The last station is the village store. The The Shoemakers' Assembly.

The regular weekly meeting of the Shoemakers' Assembly was held last night at the hall of Bricklayers' Union, corner of 7th and L streets northwest, and arrangements made to elect new officers and enter the Knights of Labor Monday night next. Organizer O'Dea, who was present, explained the advantages of membership in the K. of L., after which a committee of five was appointed to prepare a price list and devise a card signifying membership to display in the shop windows.

Other day I dropped into such a store in an out-of-the-way place while waiting for the village hack to take me six miles across country to a railroad station. You remember a while ago that the retail shoe dealer ornamented his watch chain with a dainty gaiter as a trade emblem. The clerk in this store had upon his watch guard a naked foot. Looking into a show case fitted with a variety of flotsam and beta from the waste of trade I saw a heap of clay pipes, the bowls of which were made to represent Triliby feet, and while I was looking at these pedal records a young man sidled up to me with a cane in his hand, the head of which was a foot in bone." other day I dropped into such a store in

## TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER.

How a New York Street Railroad Franchise Was Recently Disposed Of. From the Chicago News.

Yesterday, while in Chicago a dozen private property owners and a corporation were fighting tooth and nail over the possession of a public street. New York was offering a spectacle which in the comparison was deeply humiliating to this city.

In the eastern city a public thoroughfare was also a bone of contention, not between one corporation and a few private citizens, but between two corporations. The Metrobut between two corporations. The Metropolitan Traction Company and the Third
avenue car line wished to occupy with
their tracks about eleven miles of suburban streets. No one need to be told how a
similar rivalry for the use of a public thoroughfare would be prosecuted in Chicago.
It would be simply a question of which
company would pay the biggest bribes to
members of the council. But in New York
the franchise was put up at public auction the franchise was put up at public auction by the city government. The Third avenue by the city government. The Third avenue line was the highest bidder and secured

line was the highest bidder and secured the franchise.

The terms were that it pay to the city 38 1-2 per cent of its gross receipts for five years and 5 per cent of its gross receipts thereafter, and that it pay into the public treasury a lump sum of \$250,000 as a bonus. In other words, the city of New York will get for this little bit of suburban road a far greater return than the city of Chicago will get for the incalculably valuable privilege granted the Union Loop Company in the heart of the city. That is the difference between treating public franchises as pubthe heart of the city. That is the difference between treating public franchises as pub-lic property and treating them as the pri-vate prerogatives of the saloon keepers and political bummers who happen to constitute a majority in the city council. Chicago is ahead of New York in some respects, but in the matter of the disposal of public franchises it is far behind.

#### Bicycles and Baggagemen. From the Kansas City Times. "Bicycles are worrying the life out of

baggagemen nowadays," said Alfred Hasmer of Denver, at the Centropolis, "especially when the owners neglect to hand up a tip. On the Denver and Rio Grande, for instance, there were checked during July, 1,664 wheels, or an average of over fifty-three daily. If they had brought a quarter each into the pockets of the bag-gagemen who handled and watched them, or even if the company had collected a fee for the transportation service, there would have been some satisfaction, but for the road to carry its little wind-inflated competitor for nothing hurts the trainmen like fury. As a wheel might say, 'This makes baggagemen pneumatically tired.'"

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